



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/727,485	12/05/2003	Karel Hajmrle	T8-467813US	2078
7590	06/07/2007			
Arne I. Fors Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP Suite 4900 Commerce Court West Toronto, ON M5L 1J3 CANADA				EXAMINER LANG, AMY T
				ART UNIT 3731
				PAPER NUMBER PAPER
				MAIL DATE 06/07/2007
				DELIVERY MODE PAPER

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>
	10/727,485	HAJMRLE ET AL.
	<b>Examiner</b> Amy T. Lang	<b>Art Unit</b> 3731

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Amy T. Lang. (3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Mark Sajewycz. (4) \_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Interview: 31 May 2007.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.

If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 27, 44, and 57.

Identification of prior art discussed: all prior art of record.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

  
**ANHTUAN T. NGUYEN**  
**SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER**

*6/2/07*

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant agreed to correct the 112 rejection of claim 27. With regard to claim 44, examiner clarified rejection involving binder in prior art as non-dispersible. US '886 teaches a sodium silicate binder which is non-dispersible. With regard to claim 57, examiner restated concentrations of binder in prior art. Applicant argued that US '401 would have much lower amount of bentonite binder than claimed since it is a compressibility enhancer, although no concentration was specifically disclosed. No agreement was reached.